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SUBJ: NEXT SAFEGUARDS MEETING AND U.S. PROPOSAL

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1. WE HAVE CHECKED FURTHER WITH EC, JAPAN, SECRETARIAT
(PATTERSON), AND CANADIAN DEL AT STAFF LEVEL REGARDING
IMPLICATIONS OF AMBASSADOR GREY'S REMARKS (REFTEL) ON
ADEQUACY OF U.S. SAFEGUARD PROPOSAL. ALL AGREED WITH
WHAT THEY THOUGHT WAS THE CORE OF GREY'S MESSAGE, I.E.,
THAT NO INDIVIDUAL COUNTRY PROPOSAL WOULD PROVIDE A
SATISFACTORY VEHICLE FOR SAFEGUARD NEGOTIATIONS GIVEN
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DISPARITY OF VIEWS.

2. JAPAN AND PARTICULARLY EC REAFFIRMED THAT THERE
ARE SEVERAL POINTS IN THE U.S. PROPOSAL WITH WHICH
THEY AGREE. UKAWA NOTED THAT HE HAD SIMPLY MEANT TO
CONVEY IN REFTEL DISCUSSION THAT SOME POINTS IN U.S.
PROPOSAL HAD BEEN FUNDAMENTALLY OPPOSED AT LAST

SAFEGUARDS MEETING, BUT NOT RPT NOT THAT HE AGREED WITH DRIFT OF GREY'S REMARKS THAT SAFEGUARDS GROUP SHOULD NOW MOVE ON FROM U.S. PROPOSAL TO SOMETHING ELSE. (UKAWA COMMENTED IN PASSING THAT HE DIDN'T THINK THE CANADIAN SUBSIDY/COUNTERVAIL DRAFT WAS ANY MORE SUITABLE AS THE VEHICLE IN THAT GROUP THAN THE U.S. CONCEPTS PAPER IN SAFEGUARDS -- THE FORMER WAS A "PURELY CANADIAN DRAFT" AS FAR AS HE WAS CONCERNED.)

3. ALL THREE DELS AGREED WITH OUR SUGGESTION THAT IT WAS STILL PREMATURE FOR SECRETARIAT OR ANYONE ELSE TO PREPARE AN "ALTERNATIVES PAPER," PENDING MORE DETAILED EXPLORATION, CONSULTATION, AND PRESENTATION OF COUNTRY VIEWS ON THE MOST CONTENTIOUS ISSUES.

4. IN ORDER TO CLEAR THE AIR, PATTERSON AT OUR SUGGESTION IS CONVENING SMALL INFORMAL SESSION IN HIS OFFICE ON MONDAY, JANUARY 31, TO PREPARE GROUND FOR FEBRUARY SAFEGUARDS MEETING AND ACTIVITIES THEREAFTER. WE PLAN TO DESCRIBE IN GENERAL TERMS (AND SEEK FAVORABLE REACTION TO) OUR PROBABLE PROPOSALS FOR GROUP'S ACTIVITIES OVER NEXT SEVERAL MONTHS. WALKER

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